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Report of vessels inspected at Hongkong, China, week ended March 16, 1901.

Date.	Name of vessel.	Destination.	Crew.	Passengers.		Re- jected.
				Cabin.	Steer- age.	
Mar. 10	Br. str. Yuen Sung (a).....	Manila via Amoy.....	70	0	92	0
Mar. 11	Br. str. Perla (b).....	Manila	71	27	16	1
Mar. 12	Am. str. China (b).....	San Francisco.....	166	40	237	0
Mar. 13	Br. str. Esmeralda.....	Manila	56	10	20	0
Mar. 14	Am. sch. Esmeralda.....	Guam	11	1	0	0
Do....	Br. shp. Vinieria (c).....	Astoria.....	30	2	0	0
Mar. 15	U. S. S. Buffalo (d).....	New York via Manila ...	400	0	0	0
Mar. 16	Jap. str. Tosa Maru (b).....	Seattle.....	108	5	8	0
Do	Br. str. Diamante (a).....	Manila via Amoy.....	68	19	33	0

a Asiatic crew bathed and effects disinfected by steam.*b* Asiatic crew and steerage passengers bathed and effects disinfected by steam.*c* European crew.*d* Bill of health issued on certificate of medical officer.*Plague in Amoy.*

[Copy of cablegram over telephone from State Department.]

AMOY, *April 30.*—HAY, Washington.—Plague. JOHNSON.

COLOMBIA.

*Reports from Bocas del Toro—Fruit port.*BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, *April 17, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor herewith to forward a report of the work done at this station for the week ended Tuesday, April 16, 1901, inclusive:

The following-named vessels have been inspected, received bills of health with the corresponding certificate, and cleared for the United States during the week: April 10, Norwegian steamship *Simon Dumois*; Nieuwejaar, master; crew, 15; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala.; Norwegian steamship *Kitty*; Mortinsen, master; crew, 18; no passengers; for New Orleans, La. April 13, Norwegian steamship *John Wilson*; Olsen, master; crew, 16; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala.; Norwegian steamship *Yumuri*; Boe, master; crew, 16; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala.

The health of this place and of the surrounding villages in the lagoons remains good. The weather is very dry—no rain for several weeks—and as the inhabitants are dependent on the rainfall for their supply of drinking water, which is caught in tanks and barrels, and this supply has been exhausted for about a week, the majority of the people are getting their supply of water from the neighboring creeks. My observations have been that there is an increase in the number of malarial cases where the people drink the water from the creeks and rivers.

Respectfully,

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The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

CUBA.

*Report from Havana.*HAVANA, CUBA, *April 23, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended April 20, 1901:

The weather continues cool, dry, and pleasant. The daily report of